(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) and (b) There is a Kendriya Vidyalaya at Madurai (Tamil Nadu) to cater to the educational needs of transferable Central Government Employees including defence personnel and para-military forces. There is no proposal from any Central Government Establishment at Madurai to open another Kendriya Vidyalaya there.

Construction of school under SSA

†616. SHRI D.P. YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) total number of schools for which construction work under 'Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan' has been completed by the department so far;

(b) whether Government have information with regard to scams under 'Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan'; and

(c) if so, the details thereof; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SANJAY PASWAN): (a) The number of buildings for new schools and additional classrooms in existing schools sanctioned under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan is 44422 and 96404 respectively. The construciton work of these Schools is at various stages of completion.

(b) and (c) The Government has no information about any scam under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan.

Powers to NCW

617. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to empower National Commission for Women with judicial powers or empower them with same powers as National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA): (a) to (c) By virtue of Section 10(4) of the National Commission for Women Act, 1990 (No. 20 of 1990), while investigating any matter relating to the safeguards provided for women under the Constitution and other laws or a matter relating to deprivation of women's rights, the National Commission for Women has all the powers of a civil court trying a suit, particularly in respect of summoning and enforcing the attendance of any person from any part of India and examining him on oath and requiring the discovery and production of any document among others. The National Commission for Women enjoys the same powers in this respect as the National Commission for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

CAG's report on ICHR

618. SHRI N.R. DASARI:
SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:
SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the alleged irregularities and mismanagement at the Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR) as has been revealed by the latest report of the Comptroller and Accountant General (CAG);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any inquiry has been ordered in the matter; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) to (c) As per information received from the Indian Council of Historical Research, Director General of Audit conducted annual audit in respect of the grants in aid given to ICHR during 2001-2002. In the audit